



THE FARMER'S TALK TO FARMERS

FARM LIFE IS NOT A MONOTONOUS LIFE

(Written Specially for The Bulletin.)
My text this morning is the following paragraph, which I have found, unaltered, in a recent newspaper:
"The monotony of farm life is the result of ignorance, and its worst interest and possibilities. When these are understood by either man or woman, contentment and success will follow."

When a certain sort of good people get to discussing the problems of how to keep young folks on the farm, and its allied "How to Get and Keep Hired Help," they are apt to admit at the start-off, to show their full intentions and sweet reasonableness, that farm life is lonesome and monotonous. Then, admitting it, they set out to show forth some countervailing advantages which they cautiously advise consideration of.

That's just where, in my opinion, they're completely in the wrong. They're admitting as a fact something which is not a fact, they're admitting as a truth something which is not true; they're hunting stumps to retreat behind when they ought to be chasing the enemy off the earth.

Farm life is not lonesome; farming is not monotonous. People who are missing the words and mistaking the facts. They either do not know, or they have been misled, or they are themselves too cross-eyed to see straight, or too short-sighted to see at all beyond their own noses. It is soon to be seen that the monotony of farm life is a mere illusion.

This is not meant to deny that there are some people who find all country life both lonesome and monotonous. There are those who were either born or have been educated in the city, and they will never be happy unless they can all the time be within at least the sight and sound of the actual touch of the mob. I have known people who thought they couldn't live unless they could hear ever so often the sound of the street car. I have known others whose only idea of comfort was to talk or be talked to in a "silly stream of unending locusts" for at least 14 hours every day. I have known those who hadn't backbone enough to stand alone, and must have enough around them all the time to keep them from falling over backward or forward—or sideways.

Also, there are some who never were and never will be satisfied anywhere. No situation on earth is at all to their liking. None is to their taste. Of course, such find farm life lonesome. They would find any other life lonesome. I suspect they would find heaven lonesome—if so be they should ever arrive thither. It is the station at the other end of the line where the crowd seems to be going, and the one where, if such observers as Dante may be trusted, there will be little monotony. Something will be happening all the time.

Furthermore, it is to be frankly admitted that, we are all born with differing tastes and unlike aptitudes. We don't all like the same things. "One man's meat is another's poison." Some of us are born farm-minded, and some of us are office-minded, and some of us are slum-minded. It is reasonably probable that the man who finds the slums would find a farm lonesome. It is mighty sure that the man born for the farm would find the slums intolerable.

But all this variety is in the men and women themselves, not in the life they lead. It is what the philosophers call subjective, i. e., dependent on the personal traits of the individual; not objective, or inhering in the nature of the thing outside. Because of this, we are not to have them defined in the dictionary as "household." They are not. They are the best berry the Lord ever made, according to the judgment of an immense majority of the race. If you do not like them, it is not because they are not good, but because you don't know what's good. In which condition of affairs it is perfectly permissible for you to let them alone, but it is not good manners for you to denounce them and sneer at all who love them.

It is possible that there may have

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NEW LONDON'S HEALTH EXPENSES

Mayor Mahan Regards Them as Being Far From Reasonable

ORGANIZATION OF NEW COUNCIL

Alderman Downey's Charges Against the Press—Open

Gambling by Minors in the Stores—A Peculiar Political Result—The Two Martins Won Out.

At the last meeting of the court of common council, on election night, and just before the final retirement of Alderman Stephen J. Downey, after nine years of excellent service to the city, that retiring Fourth ward official for a second time suggested a change in the method of city advertising, claiming that rates higher than charged to large individual advertisers were being paid the local newspapers. Just why the retiring alderman should endeavor to effect a change in regard to advertising at this late day in his political career is not plain, as the same system has been in existence ever since the alderman has been a member of the court of common council, and long before he was elected first city election ballot. Mr. Downey evidently believed that the city was paying more than \$10,000 a year for advertising of a similar character to individuals or corporations, which is not the fact. The city is not a regular advertiser for the future year, but advertising only at such times as is obligatory under the laws of the state or the city, and is therefore a transient advertiser, so-called, and the charges for transient or short time advertising, the same as is charged to others. As the London, in the slot machine, its representatives, is unable to determine just how much advertising will be required during the year, and is therefore not in position to make a contract for any specified amount of advertising for a yearly period, therefore the present method of advertising is the most beneficial from a financial standpoint, for if a yearly rate was wanted the estimated space would have to be ample to meet all requirements, and then the city would be paying for advertising space it did not receive, in case the space contracted for was not used, in the event of greater space

being used than was contracted for the short time rate would be applied to the excessive space, and the total bill for advertising for the year would undoubtedly be in excess of what is now being paid. No advertiser gets as much gratuitous advertising from the newspapers as does the city, and there is no reason why the city should not pay the regular commercial rate for advertising that cannot be avoided. The people should not be led to believe by some things that were said at the council meeting that the advertising bills are excessive and that a special and high rate is charged the city. Mayor Mahan relates the true situation, when he says that the rates to the city were not higher than to individuals, and added that if the newspapers received pay for all the advertising done for the city that the city even would not pay the bills. There is no graft connected with the city advertising of New London.

Some years ago the proprietor of a fruit store in lower Bank street was arrested for operating a gambling device, and the case was heard in the police court, and the gambling device, or penny in the slot machine, was taken away. But the police activity in that special line seemed to stop then at that time. Complaint had been made against this man, and too arrest and prosecution was the result. At the present time there is open gambling on streets every night in the week, including Sunday, and in full view of all who pass. It may be that action to prevent this species of gambling is not taken because no complaint is filed direct

Warrenville Hayseeds Sept. 30, the score being 14 to 9 in favor of the Daville Giants.

Washington County, R. I. Hopkinton

Officials Named for November Election—Business Transacted in Probate Court.

As only the chairman was present Monday morning, the quarterly meeting of the school committee was adjourned one week. The town council met Monday afternoon at the town hall. Supervisors of election were appointed to November 7. Voting district No. 1—Republicans, Henry J. Wheeler, Ed. W. Allen, James A. Tabor, and J. W. Davis; Democrats, Calvin D. Davis, Michael McGinnis, and J. W. Davis. Voting district No. 2—Republicans, Ernest L. Crandall, Harold R. Crandall, and J. W. Davis; Democrats, J. W. Davis, and J. W. Davis. Bills were ordered paid to the amount of \$460.55.

Probate Action. At the probate court session the inventory of the estate of the late George B. Phillips was received and ordered recorded and the administrator authorized to sell articles at private sale.

The appointment of an administrator on the estate of William W. R. Allen, deceased, was ordered to November 6, with order of notice.

T. R. Gerry of Providence was in town Monday on business for the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. LaCelle Woodmansee of Westerly and Orrin R. Woodmansee of Hope Valley were in this village Monday.

George B. Carpenter and family have returned from a month's stay at Quononotack, Conn.

Albert B. Crandall, principal of the Hopkinton high school, is confined to his home by illness. Miss Grace Burdick of Westerly is substituting for him in the school.

USQUEPAUGH.

Church Interests—Visitors During the Week.

Rev. E. Talmadge Root spoke at the Sunday morning service. No service was held in the evening on account of the storm.

Bert J. Webster and family have returned from a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Webster.

Mrs. A. C. Kenyon spent Tuesday with friends at Carleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tanner of Providence spent Sunday at R. L. Knight's.

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Mrs. Mary McComber is in Providence, caring for her mother, who is very ill.

Carmen Andrews of Slocum spent Monday night with friends here.

Mrs. Esther Kenyon has gone to Pawtucket to visit her daughter, Mrs. Fred Clarke.

Mrs. Fannie Bicknell is at Pawtucket, visiting her nephew.

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with the prosecuting authorities, and for that reason there is no police molestation.

If this sort of gambling is to be permitted, suggestion has been made that it be conducted in the rear part of the stores, or behind screens, as such scenes are not acceptable to fathers and mothers whose boys may not be any stronger minded than the other boys who are taking their initial lessons in gambling, and who may be enticed into these stores by seeing the game in operation in passing, and step in to see how the games are played. The first step to the places where the

One of the peculiarities of New London politics was shown in the election of last Monday, when the city general ticket went republican by about two hundred, and three of the five aldermen elected were democrats—Miner, Harrison and Chase. The republicans elected being Thompson and Kirkland. It may be news to the Norwich readers to know that the newly elected alderman from the Third ward, the business center ward of the city, is William J. Harrison, a former resident of the Rose of New England, who is in business with his brother, Joseph, another former resident of Norwich. Perhaps the most surprising feature of the election was the success of Louis Martin, the democratic nominee for sheriff, especially as he cannot be considered a popular man, as that term is used in politics.

The hold-over republican city sheriff's name is Martin, and he has been repeatedly re-elected, and it may be that a confusion of names resulted to the benefit of Louis Martin in the election, which indicates that there is something in a name. Martin was the only democrat elected on the democratic ticket, and the new sheriff is a well known and distinguished honor that has been thrust upon him. Mr. Martin, however, is well equipped for public office, for years ago he was only uniformed police officer of Birmingham, and has served as chief of the Wallingford fire department.

At the special council meeting the mayor will name the several standing committees that will conduct the several departments of the city government. It will be selected with a view to fitness in carrying into effect the many progressive movements inaugurated by the mayor, and without regard to party affiliation.

Mayor Mahan at the last council meeting made open declaration that the expense of the health department was far from reasonable, and had increased about 300 per cent. in three years, and were still on the increase, and that it was about time to call a halt. The readers of this Saturday correspondence are familiar with some instances where there are charges of alleged extravagance and unnecessary expense since Dr. J. Torrington Black assumed the duties of health officer, although the expenditures have all been sanctioned by the health committee of the court of common council, who are in direct charge of all that relate to the expense of the health department. The mayor nor no one else finds any fault with the ability to conduct the health feature of the department, but there is reasonable ground for criticizing some of the bills of expense, and the mayor has decided that there must be some semblance of economy in the conduct of the health department in the future.

The term of office of Health Officer Black has expired, and it is announced from the mayor's office that Dr. Black has been reappointed. And this shows that the fault is not with the doctor, but with the system, and the mayor proposes to have a change in the system.

There will be a meeting of the court of common council next Monday evening for organization, and the five newly elected aldermen will be inducted into office, and the same old appointive offices will be filled by the present incumbents and in the same old way, that is the offices that carry substantial results among which are the corporation counsel, the tax collector, the chief engineer and some of lesser magnitude. So far as known there will be no opposing candidates to the present incumbents within the party that is in the majority, it being a sort of unwritten local law in the council that officeholders within the gift of that body are irremovable and would-be candidates are given to understand that to the applicant would be the waste, and if even acted upon in the council would result in defeat, as it would be considered a political crime to force a party worker from office to make way for even a more active party worker.

When a man gets possession of a local command office he seems to be of opinion that the office belongs to him, and that the annual appointment is merely a formality. The aldermen and the aldermen appointees are appointed for life, and once appointed, the appointees are bigger men in the public eye than the aldermen. Fortunately for the city, men, and perhaps as well equipped for the offices they occupy as any aldermen, are in the positions. But the perpetual office-holding is perhaps carried to no greater extent in New London than in some other cities; still it is a source of general discussion and criticism about this time of each year.

\$250,000 IN JEWELRY.

Valuable Diamonds Deposited at New Haven Police Headquarters and Kept Over Night.

In a small box case not much bigger than a shoe box, and covered with common packing paper, Joseph Reese, a jewelry salesman, left \$250,000 in diamonds at the central police station in New Haven last Tuesday night and got a receipt from Sergeant William G. Doherty, who happened to be on the desk. Reese brought the diamonds with him on the train to New Haven and unfortunately arrived after all the trains had been closed. He went to a hotel, but when he started to go to bed he became so nervous that he decided to deposit the diamonds in a safe place. He took the diamonds again in the morning and that afternoon left the city with those of the jewels that he had not disposed of to his local customers.

This deposit was the most valuable ever left at the police station in the remembrance of memory of the department. The little paper-covered case which contains what would make two or three fortunes to an ordinary person was stuck into the little safe in back of the police railing, where it remained until Reese called for it.

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